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SUBJECT: Applicant: Peterson et al. TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700
Serial No: 09/885,145
Filed: June 20, 2001
For: ELECTROSTATICALLY CHARGED AEROSOL
DECONTAMINATION SYSTEM AND METHOD
Examiner: Robin O. Evans
Group: 3752
Docket No: FM-199J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a RESPONSE in reply to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2003, in the subject application.

If for any reason this RESPONSE is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts (781) 890-5678.

If any payment during prosecution is found to be incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account No. 09-0002. A copy of this letter is enclosed for use by the Finance Branch in the event that it is necessary to make any charge or credit to my deposit account.

In addition, pursuant to Rule 1.136(a)(3), the Office is hereby authorized to treat any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Also, any request or Petition for an Extension of Time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference

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in the Petition to a shorter period of time is to be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by returning the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'K' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

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